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- (1) Transmittal Letter (in dupl.);
- (2) Supplemental Preliminary Amendment and Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (in dupl.);
- (3) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- (4) Substitute Specification (75 pages);
- (5) Paper copy of Sequence Listing (1 page);
- (6) CRF copy of the Sequence Listing;
- (7) Statement in Support of Sequence Listing;
- (8) Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts;
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- · The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52 because:
 - Papers contain improper margins. Each sheet must have a left margin of at least 2.5 cm (1") and top, bottom and right margins of at least 2.0 cm (3/4")
- This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", an initial paper or compact disc copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the application. Applicant must also provide a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant

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desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

For questions regarding compliance to these requirements, please contact:

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FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

- [X] A fee for additional claims is not required.
- A fee for additional claims is required.

The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL CLA	IMS	38	-	38	* =	0	X \$ 9 =	\$0.00	
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- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.
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EXTENSION FEE

[] The following extension is applicable to the Response filed herewith; [] \$55.00 extension fee for response within first month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [] \$200.00 extension fee for response within second month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [] 460.00 extension fee for response within third month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); [] \$720.00 extension fee for response within fourth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); \$980.00 within fifth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Sir:

This is in response to the May 14, 2002 Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures (hereafter "Notice"), a copy of which is enclosed. A response is due on or before July 14, 2002. Thus, this response is timely filed.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the Sequence Listing filed with applicants' April 4, 2002 Response to Notice to File Missing Parts and insert the substitute Sequence Listing (page 1) enclosed herewith.

Please replace the paragraph spanning pages 27 and 28 with the following paragraph:*

ii) Peptide INF7 (sequence GLFEAIEGFIENGWEGMIDGWYGC; SEQ ID NO: 1) was synthesized according to the same procedure on 500 mg chlorotrityl resin (0.5 mmol/g), cleaved from the resin as described for YE5C and precipitated with diethyl ether. The raw product was dried in vacuo. Aliquots of 20 mg each were dissolved in 500 μl 1 M triethylammonium hydrogencarbonate buffer pH 8 and purified by gel filtration (Sephadex G-10 from Pharmacia filled into a HR 10/30 column from Pharmacia. Flow rate 1 ml/min. Eluent: 20 mM HEPES pH 7.3 / 150 mM NaCl or 100 mM TEAB or 100 mM ammonium hydrogencarbonate). Extinction coefficients: 278 nm 12600; 279 nm 12665; 280 nm 12660 M⁻¹cm⁻¹.

^{*} Applicants enclose herewith a copy of the paragraph marked up pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(iii) to show the changes relative to the version of the paragraph as filed.

REMARKS

The Notice states that the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure in this application does not comply with the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.822 and/or 1.823 because the response in the Organism (<213>) field is invalid.

Applicants have amended the specification to insert a substitute paper copy of the Sequence Listing. Applicants have amended the Sequence Listing by (1) changing the Organism (<213>) field to "Artificial Sequence" and (2) adding Feature (<220>) and Other Information (<223>) fields indicating that the artificial amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 is used in compositions for introducing nucleic acids into cells. Applicants have amended specification page 27 to insert reference to SEQ ID NO: 1. None of these amendments includes new matter.

Applicants also hereby submit a computer-readable form copy of the Sequence Listing in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(e) and 1.824 and the required statements under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(f) and 1.821(g).

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this response is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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